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Inventor(s): Andy Brown et al

Confirmation No.: 9916

Application No.: 09/964307

Examiner: AILES, Benjamin A

Filing Date: 09/26/2001.

Group Art Unit: 2142

Title: REDUCTION OF CONFIGURATION TIME UPON DEPLOYMENT OF A CONFIGURABLE  
DEVICE IN A SHARED RESOURCE ENVIRONMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner For Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

☒ Response/Amendment☐ Petition to extend time to respond☐ New fee as calculated below☐ Supplemental Declaration☒ No additional fee☐ Other:

(fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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Appl. No. 09/964,307  
Response dated August 3, 2006  
Reply to Office Action of July 25, 2006

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Applicants:	James T. BODNER et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	9916
Serial No.:	09/964,307	§	Group Art Unit	2142
Filed:	09/26/2001	§	Examiner:	Benjamin A. Ailes
For:	Reduction Of Configuration	§	Docket No.:	200302220-1
	Time Upon Deployment Of	§		
	A Configurable Device In A	§		
	Shared Resource Environment	§		

**RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

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Date: August 3, 2006

Sir:

In the Office Action mailed July 25, 2006, the Examiner has asserted that the pending claims are drawn to different inventions:

I - claims 1, 5-7, 11-14 and 18-20.

II - claim 23


Applicants elect claims 1, 5-7, 11-14 and 18-20 for further prosecution.

For completeness of response, Applicants note that the statement in the Remarks filed 19 April 2006, referenced by the Examiner, that "claim 23 provides alternative options for configuring a server . . . and that claim 23 is different from claim 1" is not an admission that claims 1 and 23 are or are not drawn to inventions that are distinct from each other in the context of 35 USC 121.

Early action on the merits will now be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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